WELCOME BACK

A very warm welcome to you all, both new and returning families to a new academic year 2016. With each year comes new developments, new ideas, new initiatives and new findings. This year we are very happy to announce that our new prep and library building is ready here at the Durack Campus.

The facilities offers a comfortable and very conducive early years learning environment for our students. The small class sizes will enable us to ensure quality education to our students in their foundation phase of learning. We still have a few spaces for enrolment, so please get in early to secure your child’s place.

The past year has been a very successful one. Please visit our college website, www.aiic.qld.edu.au for all our achievements, including the very promising outcomes of our year 12 students.

Our teachers and staff will continue to focus on academic success and parent communication to provide our students with the best opportunities to excel in a safe, supportive and positive learning environment.

I will be visiting classrooms to assist students and to support teachers in their attempts.

Our College Motto: Excellence in Education, Character and Service will be emphasised and students will be given every opportunity to work towards this.

Teachers have focussed on their expectations and have highlighted student responsibility.

Student behaviour, attitude and engagement in their studies will be handled very firmly, but fairly following the behaviour management policy.

I have the honour and pleasure of continuing as your principal and I look forward to leading our college and its community as we explore ways to continue our improvement process to make us one of the best schools.

InshaAllah I hope for another successful school year as our journey continues.
Dear Parents and Guardians,

Asalamualaikum wa Rahmat-ullahi wa Barkatahu.

A very special welcome to all the new families and prep students who have joined our school this Academic year. In sha Allah we are going to have a fantastic year with lots of fun learning happening in the Prep class.

I hope you have enjoyed your first week of your child attending school. The students have settled well into their new class and are already following rules and routines in the classroom.

I am very excited about teaching your child as I have planned lots of fun learning activities, which I’m sure they will experience great growth, and learning this year in 2016.

I have very high expectations of all the children that I teach and I am there to guide, support, encourage and challenge children’s learning.

Insha Allah the students will bring homework every day from next week. The prep students will be given a set of spelling words to learn along with the jolly phonics. The prep students will be given books to read as soon as they have learnt the first set of spelling words. It is important for prep students to learn through repetition because repetition provides the practice that children need to master new skills.

Sun hat is essential as we are a Sun Smart School and children are not allowed to play outside or have sport if they do not have a school hat. Please name all clothing especially hijabs and hats so it can be returned to its rightful owners.

Please come and talk to me if you have any questions or concerns. I am available most days after school or alternatively you can contact me through the school office or email me on azara.khan@aiic.qld.edu.au Your child will also be given a communication booklet where we can correspond to each other.

I look forward to working with your children to ensure they reach their full potential this year.

Jazakallah khair,

Mrs. Azara Khan

― Mark Twain

“Never put off till tomorrow what may be done day after tomorrow just as well.”
Welcome back to school everyone!!!

This year the year twos’ have come to school prepared for learning. The students as well as the staff are extremely excited for all the things that are to come. This term we will be learning about well being. We will grow our own plants and take care of them, we will also look at different ways we can take care of our self and how others take care of themselves in other countries. In history lessons we will go through time and look at how people have changed. Furthermore we will explore the way school and technology has changed over time. So as you can see the year twos will have a busy term, a lot to explore and to learn.

Here’s a sneak peek of just some of our healthy changes we made to our lunches.

Miss Ally Sisic
Class Teacher
As you will be aware, a number of Queensland schools received threatening phone calls requiring evacuations. For your information, below is the latest update from the Queensland Police Service issued on 3/2/16. It confirms that several school have received calls today and there is a likelihood that they could continue for several days.

**Threatening phone calls, Queensland Schools**

The Queensland Police Service is aware of several Queensland schools receiving threatening phone calls today.

Several schools across Queensland received similar calls yesterday and police conducted extensive inquiries in relation to these calls.

We are confident that the calls yesterday came from overseas, and were designed to cause significant disruption and media coverage. At this time, there is no credible evidence the threats could be carried

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**YEARS 5/6 HEADLINES**

**Welcome to Term 1, 2016.**

We are already into the second week of a 9 week term, so we have only 8 weeks left to fit in a lot of learning. The 5/6 students have been very busy working hard towards their educational goals for 2016, so we are expecting to achieve some great results. I am looking forward to getting to know your children and you, the parents.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss anything. You can contact me via the school phone or via your child’s diary, which will be sent home every night.

Many blessings

Miss Collins

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**FROM THE ADMIN. DESK**

**Woolworths Earn & Learn program**—with all your kind support, our College was selected as one of the schools that achieved great success in this program. The Woolie team will visit our school to make a special presentation of an Earn & Learn certificate and a gift in recognition of everyone efforts at our monthly school assembly at a pre-arranged date. So, look out for our announcement of this event.

**School Fees and other charges**—thank you to parents who have paid up the Term 1 fees and charges. Please keep the fees and charges up to date.

**Book levy**—please note that this levy is overdue. Teachers have started formal teaching and students required textbooks and stationery for the class works.

**Tuckshop**—if you or you know of any mother who can help out in the school tuckshop please let the school know.

**Schoolstream**—as always the school looks into various way to communicate effectively with parents and recently has developed an app to send out messages instantly and directly. A note has been sent home through children. Please ask them if you have not received the note.

The is how the screen on your mobile phone looks like.
HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

Dear Parents/ caregivers,

It’s always good to get a new school year underway. The excitement of seeing old friends on the first day of school is only matched with excitement of new books, pens, pencils and new friends. New students and new teachers are just as excited and maybe a little bit apprehensive. Here at AIIC this never lasts long as the students and staff are very welcoming. The school comes back to life very quickly and the quiet hot days of the summer holidays are soon just a memory. The enthusiasm and energy of the students is quickly directed to classwork.

Mrs Misic and I are looking forward to a productive, educational, school year with all students making progress with their studies.

“ As a new teacher at AIIC I want to thank all the staff and students for making me so welcome. I have taught in numerous countries around the world as well as here in Australia, and am looking forward to working with your sons and daughters. I am also eagerly anticipating meeting the parents of these great students.” - Mrs Sandra Morgan

ESL /LEARNING SUPPORT

Dear Parents, Students, Staff and Friends

Assalaamualaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuhu

I hope you all had a restful and refreshing summer break and that 2016 has started well for you. It is wonderful to be back for the start of 2016 and to see so many smiling faces – new and returning, students and parents – at school. I have been spending some time in the Prep class at prayer time and getting to know our gorgeous Preppies – always a privilege to spend time with these lovely new students.

All the teachers have had a very busy start to the year. They are getting to know their new classes and we are working hard to put together an ESL (English for Speakers of other Languages) and Learning Support program to give as much help and support to as many students as possible.

I will be starting my program in the next week and look forward to helping as many students as possible. We are all looking forward to an awesome year with students working hard, trying their best and becoming the best student they can be, Insha Allah.

Kind regards

Robyn Frost (nee Graham)